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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP, BDIS, TS  
SUBJECT: SUPPLIERS FOR STEG

REF: 76 TUNIS 0627, 76 USDOC 1936

1. STEG, STATE POWER AND GAS COMPANY, HAS BEEN TRYING SINCE 1974 TO OBTAIN PRICE QUOTATIONS AND PRO-FORMA INVOICES FROM THREE US COMPANIES FOR PARTS WHICH WILL BE NEEDED FOR A MAJOR OVERHAUL OF THE EL BORMA GAS PUMPING STATION, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN MARCH 1977. DESPITE EMB/USDOC INTERVENTION WITH ONE SUPPLIER (REFTELS) STEG REPORTS THAT TO DATE IT HAS RECEIVED NO RESPONSE TO NUMEROUS LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS. USE BY STEG OF FRENCH FOR CORRESPONDENCE OBVIOUS HANDICAP FOR US COMPANIES, BUT DOES NOT EXPLAIN TOTAL LACK OF REPLY.
2. USAID TUNIS OFFICER BECKMAN ARRIVING WASHINGTON JANUARY 9 FOR TDY, IS HANDCARRYING COPIES OF STEG FILES WITH FULL EXPLANATION OF THESE THREE CASES. STEG NEEDS THIS EQUIPMENT URGENTLY AND WISHES REITERATE ITS DESIRE FOR PRO-FORMA INVOICES SOONEST TO ALLOW IT OBTAIN IMPORT LICENSES AND OPEN L/CS. STEG REQUESTS THAT PRO-FORMAS PROVIDE FOR AIR-FREIGHT. REQUEST USDOC CONTACT THE 3 COMPANIES AND EXPLAIN NEED FOR RESPONSE TO STEG ORDERS.

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4. WE REALIZE THIS REQUEST GOES BEYOND BOUNDS OF ROUTINE USDOC ASSISTANCE BUT FEEL THAT IMPORTANCE OF STEG AS POTENTIAL CUSTOMER FOR US PRODUCTS AND FACT THAT STEG STATE-OWNED REQUIRE THAT WE DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO FACILITATE AMICABLE AND SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION THESE CASES.

4. WOULD APRECIATE EARLIEST POSSIBLE REPLY.  
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